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SUMMARY: JUNE 16 AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING WAS ROUTINE
PRESENTATION OF WELL-KNOWN VIEWS AND PROGRESS REPORTS FROM
CHAIRMEN OF WORKING GROUPS. USSR REITERATED PROPOSAL TO
CONVENE A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE. END SUMMARY.

1. AMBASSADOR TEMPLETON OF NEW ZEALAND OPENED THE JUNE
16 AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING WITH A PROGRESS REPORT FROM
WORKING GROUP A. (TEXT DATAFIXED SEPARATELY TO DEPARTMENT.)
HE AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE EXHORTED ALL DELEGA-
TIONS TO HELP THE WORK OF THE WORKING GROUP BY SPEEDILY
AGREEING TO GET RID OF THE SQUARE BRACKETS REMAINING IN THE
DRAFT TEXTS.

2. AMBASSADOR JAROSHEK PRESENTED THE PROGRESS REPORT OF
WORKING GROUP B. (TEXT SEPARATELY DATAFIXED TO DEPARTMENT.)

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3. PHILIPPINES REPRESENTATIVE REITERATED THE MERITORIOUS
SIMPLICITY OF THEIR PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE PROGRAM OF
ACTION AND PLEDGED THAT THE PHILIPPINES WILL ALWAYS ADVO-
CATE THE CREATION OF A PERMANENT UN PEACEKEEPING FORCE.

4. USSR DELEGATE NOTED THAT IN VIEW OF FACT THAT WORKING
GROUP DELIBERATIONS HAVE TOUCHED ON THE SUBJECT OF MACHIN-

ERY, USSR REMINDS AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THEIR PROPOSAL (A/S 10/AC.1/4) TO CONVENE A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE. SSOD SHOULD TAKE A STAND FOR THE PRACTICAL ELABORATION OF METHODS TO ACHIEVE DISARMAMENT. THE NEED TO HALT THE ARMS RACE IS THE CRUCIAL QUESTION OF MODERN TIMES. THE PAST RECORD OF DISARMAMENT TALKS HAS A BEARING ON THE SSOD; THEY HAVE REDUCED THE POSSIBILITY OF WAR. BUT A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE IS THE BEST FORUM TO EXAMINE DISARMAMENT PROBLEMS AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS. SSOD SHOULD TAKE A DECISION TO HOLD SUCH A CONFERENCE. THE NON-ALIGNED HAVE SUPPORTED--EG., AT THEIR SUMMIT CONFERENCES--THIS IDEA. USSR WANTS PRACTICAL MEASURES TOWARD DISARMAMENT. ALL STATES AND QUALIFIED EXPERTS SHOULD BE INVOLVED IN SUCH A CONFERENCE. UNLIKE SSOD, SUCH A CONFERENCE COULD REMAIN CONVENED OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS IF CONDITIONS WARRANT IT. SUCH A CONFERENCE WOULD ALSO PRECLUDE ANY NEED FOR HOLDING ANOTHER SSOD. CCD AND OTHER NUCLEAR STATES SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN A PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR A WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE.

5. HOLY SEE OBSERVER SPOKE ABOUT LINK BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT, NOTING THAT THERE IS ALSO A RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DEVELOPMENT AND DISARMAMENT. DEVELOPMENT CREATED CONDITIONS THAT FAVOR PEACE AND THEREFORE DISARMAMENT. HE ALSO SUPPORTED NON-NUCLEAR ZONES OF PEACE. IT IS MORE DIFFICULT TO DISARM OR REDUCE ARMS LEVELS WHERE DEPLOYMENT IS AN ACCOMPLISHED FACT. SUCH ZONES OBVIATE A MAJOR LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DISARMAMENT PROBLEM AND PROVIDE A SOLUTION AT THE SAME TIME FOR THE NEED FOR SECURITY ASSURANCE.

6. JORDANIAN DELEGATE NOTED THE MOST OVERRIDING CONSIDERATION IS TO ENSURE THAT NPT SIGNATORY STATES AND NATIONS SUBSCRIBING TO NUCLEAR-FREE ZONES RECEIVE INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE ASSURANCES THAT THEY WILL NOT BE VICTIMS OF NUCLEAR AGGRESSION. SUPER POWERS AND SECURITY COUNCIL GUARANTEES ARE THE ONLY WAY TO AVOID THE OTHERWISE INEVITABLE SEARCH FOR LOOPHOLES. THE CONTEMPLATED ADVISORY GROUP SHOULD HAVE THE POWER TO MAKE ON-THE-SPOT INSPECTION. HE ALSO NOTED THAT THE TERM "EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL" IS SOMEWHAT VAGUE. LEONARD

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